HOUSE BILL 683

By Cooper B

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, relative to fees related to driver license suspensions.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-50-502, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection:

(I) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section or § 55-12-129 and subject to the provisions of any payment plan under this section, a person suspended pursuant to this section for failure to satisfy timely a traffic citation shall not be required to pay more than four hundred dollars (\$400) fines or fees for accumulated offenses, that are not violations of chapter 10, part 4 of this title, at any one time to any county when the person seeks to have the person's driving privileges restored. The department is hereby authorized to reinstate a person's driving privileges when such person provides the department with certification from the local court or the court clerk of the jurisdiction that such person has paid pursuant to this subsection and has satisfied all other provisions of law relating to the issuance and restoration of a driver license. A county is authorized to permit payments of fines and fees by an individual on an installment payment basis. A county may not refuse to provide certification that a person has complied with this subsection.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it.